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THE IRIS GARDEN
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GREETINGS FOR 1938

ANOTHER SUMMER Another spring is here and another summer is pushing it violently out of the way. My faith that the iris is the only perennial perfectly adapted to this climate is rapidly being strengthened for if we have winter on April ninth and summer on April tenth, the iris goes on growing and blooming serenely. Soon people will be coming here to see the iris bloom and I shall be going about other places to see the iris bloom and we shall all be rewarded for our efforts for the irises give promise of superb bloom though some other flowers and shrubs are looking bewildered and dejected.

SPRING EXPLOSION Surely there cannot be a sympathetic relation between climate and international politics, and yet this has been a spring of peculiar violence. March was warm and humid so that the dwarf irises bloomed a week ahead of schedule. Then came a blizzard in early April that ruined lilacs and most all other spring flowering shrubs. Quickly the eighty degree weather returned making iris blooms spring up like popcorn.

The heat is bad for tulip bloom but has made this the most flowery April I have known as there are dwarf, intermediate and midseason irises all in bloom at once. The last blooms of Cyanea, Graminea and Autumn Queen are lingering. In full bloom are Eleanor Roosevelt, Olive White, Southland, Golden Cataract, Doxa, Germanica Major, Kochi, Florentina Alba, Zua, Claret Gem and Crysoro. A predominance of yellow to make the red tulips very gay. Showing a bloom or two to each planting clock are Desert Gold, Grizette, Autumn King, Challenger, Moonlight, Michelline Chairraire, Louis Bel, Thais, King Midas, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Georgia, Cozette, El Capitan, Mme. Cecile Bouscant, Snowbound, Alcazar, Clara Noyes, Mrs. E. Harding, Zada (!), Benbow, Ballerine, Andrew Jackson, Allan Hoyt, Graymist, Dolly Madison, George J. Tribolet, Lohengrin, Julia Marlowe, Naomi, Oriflamme, Le Corregge and Easter Morn. Compare this to the situation this same time last year when, writing the foreword to the 1937 catalog, I described the Crysoro buds as "high." Full iris bloom and the issuing of this catalog will coincide this year.

Bud stems reach up high in all the second year plantings of midseason varieties and bloom should come in about a week. In the plantings of late varieties and the first year plantings of midseason varieties, the buds are still low and bloom should be about two weeks away. Either that or the stems will be very short. It looks as if this were going to be one of those years a hybridizer prays for; in which dwarfs, intermediates and midseason irises bloom together and opportunities for unusual crosses abound.

MR. GRINTER'S HONOR Mr. John Grinter, of Independence, the most distinguished of our local hybridizers, has had the pleasure of seeing his creation, Missouri, win the Dykes medal for 1937. It is an honor that Mr. Grinter has earned through years of devoted, intelligent work.



DOROTHY STONER

The Iris Garden

5674 Goodman Road

Merriam, Kansas

ACACIA ROSE (Sass-Toedt)	Light pink; very large flower of fine form and substance; a great favorite with garden visitors; mid-season; short	3 for \$	.25
ACHERON (Sturt)	Translucent reddish violet; midseason; medium height	3 for	.25
ALCAZAR (Vilm)	Light violet and deep reddish purple; fine symmetry; still one of the best; early; tall	3 for	.25
ALLAN HOYT (Hoyt)	Warm buff and reddish brown; very much admired; early; tall	3 for	.25
ALLIES (Vilm)	Dark brownish red purple; very dark and rich; fall blooming south of here or on the west coast		.15
AMBASSADOR (Vilm)	Magnificent deep red bronze; late; tall	3 for	.25
AMBERA (H. P. Sass)	Amber yellow with gold venations; large flower; short; very early		.15
AMENTI (H. P. Sass)	Cool and delightfully fresh toned blend with standards of pale Parma violet and falls of clear, distinct violet mauve; light yellow beard; the large ruffled flowers are well placed on a 36-inch branching stem; free blooming; midseason		6.50
AMIGO (Wmsn)	Standards are light lavender violet and the falls deep hyacinth violet paling to a narrow, white margin; midseason; medium height; H. M. 1936		5.00
ANDREW JACKSON (Kirk)	Large flowered red purple; low branched; early; medium height	3 for	.25
APACHE (Farr)	Bright cherry red; always a color favorite; mid-season; short		.15
ARGYNNIS (Wmsn)	Yellow standards with velvety red falls; bright and free flowering; midseason; medium height	3 for	.25
ASHTORETH (Beaudry)	Soft; light yellow; large flower on a well branched stem; midseason; tall		.50
ASIA (Yeld)	Silvery lavender flushed gold; fragrant; late; tall	3 for	.25
AT DAWNING (Kirk)	Arbutus pink bicolor with crystalline standards and gold at the base of both standards and falls; large well formed flowers on a tall stem		5.00
AUREX (Nic)	Bright buff standards and dark red purple falls; medium height on a slender stalk		.50
AUTUMN KING (H. P. Sass)	Fine blue purple with many buds to the stem; very early spring bloom; fall bloom August or later		.15

"The Iris I got last year most all bloomed this year, and I was well pleased."
June 5, 1937. J. N., Blackwater, Mo.

"We had our iris show today and I won first on Pink Opal and Blue Ribbon; second on Pluie d'Or, Blue Velvet and Mrs. Valerie West; third on Rameses; all of which were purchased from you in 1934 and '35."
May 22, 1937. Mrs. J. M., Nampa, Idaho.

M E R R I A M , K A N S A S •

AUTUMN QUEEN (H. P. Sass)	White; really everblooming when planted in quantity; spring bloom begins with the late dwarfs-----	.25
BALDWIN (H .P. Sass)	Manganese violet of enormous size and good substance; midseason; tall-----	.25
BALLERINE (Vilm)	Wisteria blue bicolor of great size and very long blooming season beginning early and lasting late; still one of the finest; tall -----	.15
BEAU SABREUR (Wmsn)	Blended variegata with a rosy tone in the tawny standards; glossy red falls; midseason; medium height-----	.25
BLACK WINGS (Kirk)	The blackest iris; velvety, deep blue purple of Dominion form; intense fragrance; runner-up for the 1935 Dykes medal; early to midseason; medium height-----	.50

BEGINNERS' COLLECTION

20 Plants \$2.00

Los Angeles	Crysoro	Venus di Milo
Indian Chief	Midgard	Midwest
Coronation	Dolly Madison	Kansas
Numa Roumestan	Geo. J. Tribolet	Prairie Gold
Andrew Jackson	Henri Riviere	Lona
Frieda Mohr	Folkwang	Mildred Presby
Glowing Embers	Peaches	

No Substitutions — No Discount

BLUE BANNER (Kirk) Bright blue bicolor with lighter bordered falls; an easy grower; late; medium height.....	.25
BLUE HILL (H. P. Sass) Light blue of clear tone and rounded form; free flowering; midseason; tall.....	.25
BLUE RIBBON (Grinter) Brilliant, dark purple bicolor; large flowered and well branched; lovely in itself and distinguished in its progeny; midseason; tall .....	.25

"My William Mohr was glorious this season, ten perfect blossoms. It was the wonder iris of the garden so I am ordering three for my neighbors."
June 8, 1937. *Mrs. E. A. F., Marshalltown, Iowa.*

"The Pink Opal and Purissima you sent last year, complimentary, bloomed beautifully and I have enjoyed them so much. Your iris always do so well and give such perfect satisfaction."
June 7, 1937. *Mrs. J. R. C., Dallas, Texas.*

BLUE TRIUMPH (Grinter) Acclaimed "the finest light blue yet shown" Blue Triumph's career has been indeed triumphant; translucent, light blue of heavy substance and symmetrical form; A. M. 1936 midseason; tall.....	2.25
BLUE VELVET (Loomis) Rich, dark blue purple self of immense substance; the finest of the dark, velvety varieties; slow growing; midseason; tall.....	.25
BLUET (Sturt) Early light blue; fluffy and fragrant; medium height .....3 for	.25
BOADICEA (Nic) Ruffled blend of soft yellow, clear pink and a touch of light blue; very free flowering; midseason; tall.....	.25
BRANDYWINE (Farr) An old favorite; silvery blue with a tendency to produce four standards and four falls; midseason; medium height .....3 for	.25
BRUNO (Bliss) Velvety, reddish bronze bicolor; midseason; medium height .....	.15
BUECHLEY'S GIANT (Beuchly) Enormous blue bicolor of exceedingly heavy substance and sturdy stalks; magnificent when well grown; midseason; tall.....	.35
B. Y. MORRISON (Sturt) Lavender standards and falls of purple bordered lavender; late; short.....3 for	.25
CALIFORNIA GOLD (Mit) Large flowered deep yellow carrying the color of Crysoro into the larger size and longer blooming season of the tall bearded group; its seedling name was "Brazen Hussy" midseason; tall; H. M. 1936; Dykes medal runner-up 1937.....	4.00
CAMELIARD (Sturt) Large flowered blend of amber and wine purple; midseason; tall.....	.15
CANDLELIGHT (And) Luminous pinkish lavender with a golden heart; midseason; tall.....	.15
CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS (Row) In the 1932 "Iris Year Book" the Countessa Senni writes, "Captain Courageous is a pretty rose and smoke blend whose color carries well at a distance;" sturdy and vigorous with beautiful foliage; late; tall.....	.15
CARDINAL (Bliss) Rich, red purple Dominion; midseason; medium height .....	.15
CAROLINE E. STRINGER (J. Sass) Very dainty light pink; free flowering; midseason; short .....3 for	.25

"The Iris roots arrived yesterday in fine condition. Thank you so much for the extra ones. I now have over a hundred varieties and you did not send me a duplicate."
June 29, 1937. B. F. A., Hampton, Va.

"All of the Iris I bought of you grew and bloomed this year except Queen Caterina, which did not live through the winter. This was the hottest and driest summer on record and a record winter."
June 2, 1937. S. H., Keokuk, Iowa.

CHALLENGER (J. Sass) Large flowered deep purple; a very early variety of Dominion quality; medium height.....	.15
CHEERIO (Ayres) The brightest possible; velvety red falls setting off standards of blended gold and rose; large, well balanced flower; midseason; tall; H. M. 1936.....	2.25
CHROMYLLA (Loomis) Large flowered yellow self of the finest substance, texture and form; midseason; tall.....	.50
CITRONELLA (Bliss) Light gold; the falls splashed carmine; midseason; tall .....	.15
CINNABAR (Wmsn) Deep reddish purple bicolor; very velvety and striking; midseason; tall .....	.15
CLARA NOYES (H. P. Sass) Blend of apricot, orange, yellow and carmine; midseason; medium height.....	.35

LUCKY COLLECTION

Ethel Peckham Mary Geddes Jean Cayeux
 Golden Flare Gudrun

One plant of each\$4.50

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CLARET GEM (Sass-Gros) Very early claret red of good color and quality; short	3 for .25
CLAUDE AUREAU (Cay) Giant flowered, dusky yellow and wine red variegata; broad standards distinguish the large flowers; plant with Grace Sturtevant; midseason; medium height.....	.50
COLIAS (Wmsn) Late, free flowering, soft yellow; as useful as the earlier Shekinah; medium height	3 for .25
COPPERSMITH (Shull) Light coppery red bicolor; large flowers; midseason; tall .....	.15
CORALIE (Ayres) Glowing rose and red bicolor; large flower with very broad standards and falls; Dykes medal; midseason; tall.....	2.25
CORONATION (Moore) Golden yellow self of good size and heavy substance; splendid with King Tut and June Bride; midseason; tall .....	.15

"Will you kindly send me one of your 1937 catalogs. Our Iris are just beginning to bloom over here in Virginia and the ones from your garden are beautiful. I am looking forward to adding a few more to my collection this year."
May 12, 1937. Miss E. K., Lynchburg, Va.

"I like your rhizomes very much and have some lovely Iris grown from them."
June 1, 1937. Mrs. J. B. B., Wilmington, Del.

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CORRIDA (Mil) Clear, light blue; floriferous; lovely with Dream and Parc de Neuilly; late; medium height.....	3 for	.25
COSETTE (H. P. Sass) Hardy, free flowering white intermediate; very early; short; H. M. 1936.....		1.25
CROWN PRINCE (Klein) Dominion formed variegata with orange yellow standards and falls of dark red; well branched; midseason; tall .....		.75
CRYSORO (Nic) Darkest, richest orange yellow self; fine substance; very early; short .....		.25
CRYSTAL BEAUTY (J. Sass) Hardy, alabaster white of large size and fine substance; well branched; midseason; tall; H. M. 1936....		2.00
DAUNTLESS (Con) Red with a brown tone and very little purple in it; Dykes medal; midseason; tall.....		.35
DELIGHT (Sturt) Pink and white plicata; midseason; tall.....		.15
DEPUTE NOMBLOT (Cay) Bronze red of the most perfect form, placement and branching; an ideal show iris; Dykes medal; midseason; tall .....		.35
DESERT GOLD (Kirk) Large flowered yellow of fine form and substance; fragrant; lovely with Michelline Chairraire or in combination with King Midas and Dolly Madison; early; tall.....		.35
DOLLY MADISON (Wmsn) Mauvette with striking reddish gold beard; always a favorite and easy to place in the garden picture; midseason; tall .....		.15
DREAM (Sturt) Beautiful pink pallida; one of the finest landscape varieties and at this price can be used lavishly; late; tall.....	3 for	.25
DR. C. H. MAYO (Fry) Fine pink self; earlier than Dream; midseason; tall	3 for	.25
DUKE OF BEDFORD (Bliss) Brilliant, deep violet purple; one of the finest dark varieties; late; medium height.....		.15
EASTER MORN (Essig) White of pure color and heavy substance; requires protection here; midseason; tall.....		.75
ECLADOR (Cay) Splendid yellow of deep color and good substance in a large, ruffled flower; midseason; tall.....		3.00
ECLAT (Gage) Waxy flower of pink and copper blended; midseason to late; medium height.....		.75
EDGEWOOD (Hall) Medium toned pink bicolor of high quality; midseason; tall .....		.15

EL CAPITAN (M-M)	Huge flowered medium blue of the heaviest substance; the blooms last a day longer than usual; midseason; tall	.25
ELEANOR ROOSEVELT (Sass-McDade)	Deep, velvety reddish violet; slightly fragrant; A. M. 1937; Gold medal 1934 as the best fall bloomer; spring bloom very early; short	.35
ELIZABETH EGELBERG (Egel)	Enormous pink mauve with gold throat and beard; not so pink or refined in color as Frieda Mohr but hardier and better branched; midseason; tall	.15
ELLA WINCHESTER (Grinter)	Large, rich, mahogany red self with a brown haft and no venation in the velvety red falls; excellent form and symmetrical branching; in the October, 1935, A. I. S. Bulletin, Bruce Maples writes, "The shape and style is unique and the finish superb;" good grower and bloomer; H. M. 1936; midseason; tall	6.50
ELSINORE (Hall)	Primrose yellow blended with and edged reddish purple; midseason; medium height	3 for .25
EL TOVAR (H. P. Sass)	Huge flowered, smoky, dark variegata blend; massive, dome shaped standards and broad, long falls; late; tall	2.25

DOLLAR COLLECTION

FRIEDA MOHR and twenty-four other fine varieties including red, pink and fragrant; all named and labelled and guaranteed true to name. The constituents of this collection will vary from time to time so I cannot tell you in advance what it will contain; but it is a very fine value at all times and an excellent choice for one who is just beginning an iris collection.

EROS (Mead)	Clear salmon pink blend with an undertone of yellow; an entirely new iris color; A. M. 1936; midseason; tall	1.50
ETHEL PECKHAM (Wmsn)	Brilliant red in a large flower with arching standards and broad, long falls; late; tall; A. M. 1936	2.25
EVENTIDE (H. P. Sass)	Misty, slaty lavender; a subtle flower; midseason; short	3 for .25
EVOLUTION (Cay)	Pale, coppery bronze blend; large flower with frilled standards and flaring falls; midseason; medium height	.35

FOLKWANG (G & K) Light pink and deep rose bicolor; large flowered; midseason; short	3 for	.25
FRIEDA MOHR (M-M) Most popular pink bicolor; sensational for shape; size and substance; late; tall.....		.25
GAVIOTA (Mohr) Creamy white with brown markings at haft; midseason; medium height	3 for	.25
GEORGE J. TRIBOLET (Wmsn) Velvety blackish purple; vigorous grower; late; medium height.....	3 for	.25
GEORGIA (Farr) Free flowering cattleya pink; early; short.....	3 for	.25
GERMAINE PERTHUIS (Mil) Velvety mulberry purple; very fragrant; midseason; tall.....		.25
GILEAD (And) Buffy amber blend; broad, large flowers of heavy substance well placed on wide branching stems; midseason; tall.....		.35
GLOWING EMBERS (Sturt) S. fawn flushed violet; F. glowing red netted yellow; midseason; tall.....	3 for	.25
GOBELIN RED (Dan) Oxblood red in effect; midseason; tall.....		.25
GOLDEN CATARACT (Dysart) Bright yellow fall bloomer; as deep in color as Crysoro and as well formed and branched as Southland; rampant grower and bloomer and a fine addition to the scanty ranks of the fall bloomers.....		2.50
GOLDEN FLARE (Ins) Flame and yellow blend; a bit more orange than Talisman; midseason; medium height .....		.75
GOLDEN HELMET (J. Sass) A ruffled variegata whose tawny standards contrast brilliantly with the velvety red falls; midseason; medium height		2.25
GOLDEN TREASURE (Schreiner) Lovely cream iris with a golden beard and a golden glow throughout; excellent substance and form and a well branched stem rising to a harmonious height; one of the most popular of the new irises.....		10.00
GOLDILOCKS (Way) Soft yellow self with a slight greenish sheen; always medium height for me but at the Tulsa show it was 40" tall and the outstanding yellow; early.....		.15
GOLD IMPERIAL (Sturt) Beautiful chrome yellow; the most satisfactory yellow that can be had for landscape; midseason; medium height	3 for	.25
GRACE STURTEVANT (Bliss) Dark, burning red brown; a color that carries surprisingly well; late; medium height.....		.25
GRAND MONARCH (Row) Velvety bronze red illumined with gold at the throat; large flower with broad standards and falls; late; tall .....		.15

"I have had very much success with the Iris I bought from you. I only lost one of your Iris last winter though we had an ice-coat that stayed almost a month. I did not exhibit this year, but last year I received three first and champion of the show."
June 16, 1937. Mrs. W. P. H., Davenport, Iowa.

GRAYMIST (Grinter) Smooth toned light gray with bright orange beard; early; medium height.....	.15
GRETCHEN (H. P. Sass) Flesh colored standards and rose falls; a variety that always wins attention with its freshness and charm; midseason; medium height.....	.15
GRIZETTE (Wmsn) A darker sister of Dolly Madison; midseason; tall .....3 for	.25
GUDRUN (Dykes) Pure white of great size and heavy substance enlivened by a faint gold iridescence; very hardy; midseason; tall.....	1.50

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HAPPY DAYS (Mit) Immense, clear glistening yellow; beautifully branched; midseason; tall; A. M. 1937.....	5.00
HARMONY (Dykes) Deep purple with deep purple beard; late; medium height .....3 for	.25
HEARTHSTONE COPPER (Doub) Bright and crisp this variegata of gold and coppery red shines out through the garden; small in size but mighty in carrying power.....	.25
HELIOS (Cay) Enormous flowered, pale lemon yellow of smooth finish and wonderful form; midseason; tall.....	.35
HENRI RIVIERE (Mil) S. yellow; F. mauve widely bordered yellow; a popular selection both in the garden and at the exhibition table; midseason; tall .....3 for	.15
HERNANI (Cay) One of the reddest reds in a light, translucent shade; midseason; medium height .....3 for	.25
IDUNA (G & K) S. iridescent pearl; F. violet purple; midseason; medium height .....3 for	.25
IMPERATOR (Cay) Red self, later and larger flowered than Seminole which it resembles in color; late; medium height.....3 for	.25

"Last year I planted the Iris I got from you directly beside some I bought from another house; same soil, same conditions in every way. Yours bloomed 80% and the others 60%. And the plants you sent me are better and huskier than the others."
July 3, 1937.

Mrs. H. C. W., Bolton, Mass.

IMPERIAL BLUSH (H. P. Sass) Huge, pale lavender pink of good substance; fragrant; very well branched for a pink; H. M. 1936; midseason; tall .....	.75
INDIAN CHIEF (Ayres) Large flowered, translucent red bicolor; the most popular variety in the garden; early; tall.....	.15
IRIS KING (G & K) Old gold and maroon; midseason; short....3 for	.25
JACQUILLINE GUILLOT (Cay) Lustrous silver blue self; large flower; late; medium height.....	.15
JEAN CAYEUX (Cay) Gleaming blend of gold and Havana brown; the flowers are well placed and the substance firmer than that of other yellowish blends; Dykes medal; midseason; tall.....	1.50
JOYCETTE (J. Sass) Very large flowered bright red; an instant success; A. M. 1936; midseason; tall.....	1.25
JUNALUSKA (Kirk) Bright, coppery red bicolor; outstanding in a color class that has had much recent competition; A. M. 1937; midseason; tall	5.00
JUNE BRIDE (Grinter) Charming, free flowering white of good substance; probably the best hardy white that is really white and really hardy; midseason; tall.....3 for	.25
KANSAS (Tim) Ruffled mauve pink of Alcazar form; late; tall.....	.15
KING JUBA (H. P. Sass) Large flowered gold and maroon variegata with the height, substance and habit of Cardinal, its pollen parent; wonderfully effective with Numa Roumestan which is exactly the color of King Juba's falls; late; tall.....	.25
KING MIDAS (Mead) Marvellous red gold blend; its popularity has been won on merit alone without benefit of promotion; early; medium height .....	.25
KING TUT (H. P. Sass) Brilliant brownish red; red even at twilight; midseason; medium height .....	.35
LABOR (Cay) Dark red purple suffused copper; midseason; medium height .....	.25
LADY PARAMOUNT (White) Brilliant primrose yellow of great size and harmonious proportions; possibly tender; A. M. 1936; midseason; tall	3.00
LA NEIGE (Verd) Waxy white; small, perky flower on short stem; fine with Tom Tit .....	.25
LARGO (Ashley) S. Canary yellow; F. mauve deeply bordered yellow; rampant grower and bloomer; midseason; tall.....	.35
LE CORREGE (Vilm) An earlier Ambassadeur in cleaner, more brilliant colors; midseason; tall .....	.15
LE VARDAR (Cay) An Aphrodite pink of the type of Pink Satin and Pink Oval that is always in high favor; large and tall .....	.15

LENZSCHNEE (G & K) White; the falls touched blue; midseason; short .....	.15
LONA (J. Sass) Rose dots heavily sanding a cream ground; midseason; short 3 for	.25
LORD OF JUNE (Yeld) Huge chicory blue and lavender bicolor that always commands attention; midseason; tall 3 for	.25
LOS ANGELES (M-M) Giant white, faintly marked blue; hardier than San Francisco; early; tall .....	.25
LOUDOUN (Fen) Creamy yellow dotted chestnut; tallest and best branched of this type of plicata; midseason; medium height.... 3 for	.25
LOUIS BEL (Den) Very early, very black purple; short.....	.15
MAGENTA (Cay) Glowing amethyst; a landscape color in a large, well formed flower; midseason; medium height.....	.25

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Any three \$1.50 varieties.....	3.75
Any three \$2.00 varieties.....	5.00

MAGNIFICA (Vilm) Pinkish bicolor; enormous scented flower; early; tall15
MAJESTIC (Bliss) Brilliant blue and reddish bicolor; vigorous; mid- season; tall 3 for	.25
MARY ELIZABETH (Kirk) Deep red rose of the finest quality; late tall .....	.35
MARY GEDDES (Wash) Blend of salmon and Pompeian red that gives an effect both unusual and distinguished; Dykes medal 1936; midseason; medium height .....	.90
MARY WILLIAMSON (Wmsn) A bright and ruffled amoena that looks clean and cool in its contrast of white and purple..... 3 for	.25

*"My Iris collection I received from you a few years ago are the
pride of my garden."*
June 12, 1937.

Miss G. E., Osage, Iowa.

MARQUITA (Cay) Ivory, the falls so thickly veined red that the red appears to be solid to the ivory margins; enormous in size and a stunner; midseason; tall -----	2.25
MARTIE EVEREST (Kirk) Fall bloomer of soft, clear light blue; very early; tallest of the fall bloomers -----	1.50
MATHILDA (J. Sass) Crisp white heavily dotted bright blue; like starched percale; midseason; short -----3 for	.25
MAYGOLD (Nic) Light canary yellow; well rounded and neat; very early; short -----3 for	.25
MAY SADLER (Per) Bright royal purple bicolor; midseason; medium height -----	.15
MEDRANO (Wilm) Deep smoky red; wild grape fragrance; late; short -----	.15
MENTOR (Per) Brilliant red purple; midseason; medium height -----3 for	.25
MICHELLINE CHAIRRAIRE (Den) Large, pure white with deep gold beard; broad standards; needs protection here; early; tall-----	.25
MIDGARD (H. P. Sass) Pastel pink and yellow blend; a great favorite with garden visitors; finest in our hot sun but a wonderful variety anywhere; midseason; medium height -----	.15
MIDWEST (H. P. Sass) Heavy rose markings on frilled white; mid-season; short -----3 for	.25
MILDRED PRESBY (Farr) S. ivory white; F. pansy purple; perhaps still the finest amoena; midseason; medium height-----3 for	.25
MISSOURI (Grinter) Large flowered medium blue of a brilliant "live" tone; the flower segments are broad and the substance heavy; deeply branched; lily-of-the-valley fragrance; midseason; tall; 1937 Dykes medal -----	3.50
MME. C. BOUSCANT (Den) Pinkish lavender with a blue flush in the center; long blooming season; needs protection; tall-----3 for	.25
MME. CHERI (Sturt) Vigorous pink and violet blend; large flowers of good substance; midseason; tall-----3 for	.25
MME. SEROUGE (Cay) Deeply branched reddish purple; very dark and velvety; midseason; tall -----	.35
MOA (Bliss) Arching standards with flaring falls of deep violet purple; midseason; tall -----	.15
MONSIEUR ARNAL (Den) Pastel buff and lavender pink bicolor; much like Aubade but pinker; hardiest of the Ricardis; midseason; medium height -----3 for	.25
MOONLIGHT (Dykes) Pale gray white with green and yellow lights; mysterious and fragrant; early; medium height -----3 for	.25

"Received the rhizomes and thanks for the extras; all were very fine. Those I purchased for the neighbor have caused a lot of comment here and am sure they will please her."
August 6, 1937.

MORNING GLORY (Kirk) Intense and velvety red purple; makes a magnificently well balanced stalk; midseason; tall .....	.25
MORNING SPLENDOR (Shull) Dark, glowing claret red; one of the finest varieties at any price; midseason; tall.....3 for	.25
MOUNT ROYAL (Mohr) Very large blackish purple flower that is sweetly scented .....	.25
MUSSOLINI (Dykes) Large, vivid blue purple; English silver medal winner; midseason; tall	5.00
MRS. ILTUS (Fry) Bright, medium blue that is fine with Quivera; late; medium height25

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Twenty-five of Any One Variety \$1.00, or 100 in Any Four Varieties \$3.50, or Ten Each of Ten Varieties \$3.50

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The varieties are: Acacia Rose, Acheron, Alcazar, Afterglow, Anna Farr, Archeveque, Argynnis, Benbow, Blue Jay, Brandywine, B. Y. Morrison, Chester J. Hunt, Claude Monet, Colias, Corrida, Delicatissima, Dalilah, Dream, Eldorado, Fairy, Gaviota, Georgia, George J. Tribolet, Germanica Major, Gleam of Gold, Glowing Embers, Gold Imperial, Harmony, His Eminence Iduna, Iris King, Isoline, Juniata, Kalos, Labor, Julia Marlowe, Lohengrin, Loreley, Mary Orth, Mentor, Midwest, Monsignor, Monsieur Arnol, Mme. Cecile Bouscant, Mother of Pearl, Mount Penn, Mrs. Neubronner, Naomi, Ochracea, Odoratissima, Odaroloc, Oriflamme, Parc de Neuilly, Parisianna, Pioneer, Pocahontas, Princess Beatrice, Quaker Lady, Queen Caterina, Rhein Nixe, Roseway, Rota, Shekinah, Sherwin Wright, Snowbound, Susan Bliss, Toreador, Troost, White Queen, Windham, and Zada.

Any of the above varieties are three plants for 25c, or fifteen of any varieties for \$1.00.

MRS. VALERIE WEST (Bliss) Bronzy red violet and velvety maroon brown; large flowers and very floriferous; midseason; medium height .....	.25
NARANJA (Mit) Distinct orange overcast on a yellow ground in a first class iris of good size and substance; one of the newer sensations; A. M. 1937	10.00
NENE (Cay) Vinous red in a nine-inch flower; midseason; tall.....	.50
NINGAL (Ayres) Bronzy buff, the falls underlaid blue and with a blue midrib; midseason; tall .....	.35

"I am well pleased with the plants from your garden. My next door neighbor's dollar collection bought from you two years ago was wonderful this spring. Hers were a little more sheltered than mine."
June 14, 1937. Mrs. F. B. C., Rock Springs, Wyo.

NORMA GAGE (Gage) Small, dainty, and pink and white; good substance and texture; free flowering; midseason; short.....	.75
NOWETA (H. P. Sass) Larger, pinker Midgard; one of the loveliest; midseason; medium height .....	.60
NUMA ROUMESTAN (Cay) Dark strawberry red; late; medium height .....	.15
NUSKU (Nes) Old rose and yellow blend; midseason; medium height .....	.15
OCTOBER OPERA (Sass-McDade) rich, wine red fall bloomer; spring bloom very early; short	1.25
ODAROLOC (And) Light bluish mauve of very fine form and habit; midseason; very tall	3 for .25
ODORATISSIMA (Jac) The most fragrant iris; this is the ruffled blue pallida planted in profusion at the Vatican; midseason; tall	3 for .25
OLD GOLD (H. P. Sass) Blend of amber, rose and yellow of which yellow is the prevailing color; midseason; short.....	.15
OLIVE WHITE (Sass-Toedt) Creamy white with green gold veinings; fall bloom often pale yellow; spring bloom very early; short.....	.15
OMAHA (H. P. Sass) Deep pink or light red which is fine with the brown reds; never a free bloomer for me though; midseason; medium height .....	.15
OZONE (J. Sass) Gray and bluish violet blend with a pinkish sheen; H. M. 1936; midseason; medium height	7.50
PALE MOONLIGHT (Essig) Glistening palest blue of heavy substance; midseason; tall .....	.75
PARC DE NEUILLY (Verd) Vivid purple self; the most satisfactory landscape purple; late; medium height.....	3 for .25
PEACHES (H. P. Sass) Showy blend of peach, yellow and red; a few shades lighter than Clara Noyes; midseason; medium height.....	.15
PERSIA (Ayres) The standards are smoke with bluish shadows on them; the falls purple paling at the edges; large flower and a beautifully branched and balanced stalk; midseason; tall.....	.25
PHEBUS (Cay) Lemon yellow with bright orange beard; large petals nicely rounded give it distinction among the large flowered pale yellows; midseason; tall .....	.50
PINK OPAL (J. Sass) The famous 28.12, sister seedling of Pink Satin; not so pink or so well branched but larger size and better substance than Pink Satin; midseason; tall.....	.35
PINK SATIN (J. Sass) Light pink of truest color and satiny sheen; best branching of any pink; early to midseason; tall.....	.35

"The memory of your Iris garden will linger with me a long time. It was so well arranged as to color harmony and contrast and so beautifully kept. It was a pleasure to see and enjoy it."
June 3, 1937. Mrs. J. A., Kansas City, Mo.

PIONEER (Bliss) Bright reddish purple; a shy bloomer until established; early; medium height -----	3 for	.25
PLUIE D'OR (Cay) Golden yellow with flowers of large size; a two year old planting is a marvel; Dykes medal; midseason; tall-----		.25
PRAIRIE GOLD (H. P. Sass) Brilliant, almost brassy yellow; glistening like buttercups; midseason; short -----		.15
PRESIDENT PILKINGTON (Cay) Large flowered buff and lavender blend; a larger, taller, darker Dolly Madison; midseason; tall-----		.35
PRIMAVERA (Mohr) Large flowered primrose yellow; very fragrant; very early; medium height -----	3 for	.25
PRINCESS BEATRICE (Barr) Silvery lavender blue with the characteristic pucker at the tips of the falls; there are many false princesses in high circles but this has been certified to be the true one; early; tall -----	3 for	.25
PURISSIMA (Mohr) Large pure white of symmetrical shape and heavy substance but unfortunately so tender as to be unreliable in the middle west; early; tall -----		.25
QUEEN CATERINA (Sturt) Pale frosted lavender; water lily scent; midseason; tall -----	3 for	.25
QUIVERA (J. Sass) Reddish orange blend with orange sheen; medium sized flower; midseason; short -----		.15
RAMESES (H. P. Sass) Standards pinkish buff and falls turmaline pink; rampant grower; Dykes medal; midseason; tall -----		.25
REALM (Baker) Massive turquoise blue self; vigorous and hardy; lovely with Pluie d'Or; midseason; tall -----		.25
RED DOMINION (Ayres) Blackish red self in a beautifully formed flower, the standards somewhat frilly and the falls horizontal; midseason; medium height -----		.50
RED RADIANCE (Grinter) Velvety red self; redder and brighter than Dauntless; well branched and well formed flowers; midseason; medium height -----		.50
RED WING (H. P. Sass) Tall, dark brownish red excellent in color and in performance -----		.25
REVERIE (Sturt) Buff red bicolor; midseason; tall-----		.15
RHEA (Wmsn) Happy blending of russet and rose; deeper in color and hardier than Isoline; midseason; tall-----		.15
RHEINGAUPERLE (G & K) Light orchid pink with silvery sheen; very dainty; midseason; short -----		.15
ROBERT (Ayres) Large flowered, soft blended yellow with a bluish flush in the center of the falls; well branched; H. M. 1936; midseason; tall -----		2.00

"The Iris you shipped me arrived last Tuesday in fine shape. We have not had any rain since June 5th, but I have managed to keep everything alive. The first Iris you sent me is now growing nicely."
August 30, 1937.

J. H. F., San Antonio, Texas.

ROBERT WALLACE (Per) Very dark royal purple with a satiny sheen; medium in flower and height.....	.15
ROMOLA (Bliss) Harmonious combination of rosy lilac and deep burgandy; the most graceful of the Dominions; late; tall.....	.15

How To Grow Irises

These notes are the fruit of trials and errors in the middle west. If your climate and soil differs from mine, you should adjust my suggestions to your conditions.

SOIL AND SITUATION

A neutral or natural limestone soil is best but a slightly acid soil may be treated with ground limestone. Never use lime unless your soil is definitely acid as lime does more harm than good in neutral soil. Sun or part shade are recommended, with part shade being the choice location in regions in which the sun is very hot during the blooming time.

PLANTING

Plant with the rhizome well covered with earth; about a half inch pressed down firmly is best. Water well but infrequently if the weather is hot and dry. (I never water new plantings because I haven't the water.) After the roots are well down, keep the hoe shiney and the surface of the soil dusty.

ROSE DOMINION (Con) Rose bicolor with bright gold beard; Dominion form; midseason; medium height .....	.60
ROSE PETAL (Mur) Clear, lustrous light lavender pink; midseason; tall .....	.35
ROSY WINGS (Gage) Soft but clear light reddish brown; this variety received its H. M. before introduction and the A. M. in 1936, the year introduced; midseason; tall	9.00

"The few plants I purchased from you last year wintered better than any that I bought from other dealers. I think it may have been because you shipped promptly, the plants received early and thus became well established before winter."

June 3, 1937.

L. F. B., Camden, Maine.

ROTA (G & K) Ruffled and rosy; one of the rosiest; midseason; short	3 for	.25
SACHEM (Loomis) Velvety red and tan bicolor; vigorous; mid- season; tall25

How To Grow Irises

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FERTILIZERS

Superphosphate and wood ashes are the best inorganic fertilizers for irises. If the soil lacks humus, well rotted manure, peat moss or tobacco stems are helpful.

LEAF SPOT

Very little is known about leaf spot except that, while it is unsightly, it does little or no injury to the plants. Removing and burning all old foliage helps control it.

ROOT ROT

Cut out the soft tissue and dust with coppercarbonate.

BORER

A dust spray of one part Dutox and four parts cheap flour applied spring and fall, and frequent transplantings will eliminate borer and prevent reinfection from your neighbor.

SACREMENTO (Mit) Reddish purple plicata edge to a crystal white flower; large and tall .....		.35
SAN FRANCISCO (M-M) Huge white with edges pencilled heavily with lavender; Dykes medal; needs protection here; midseason; tall		.25
SAN GABRIEL (Dean) Lustrous lavender that is practically perfect in the south or on the west coast but exceedingly unreliable here; tall; early	3 for	.25

"All my Iris are lovely, thanks to you! I'm having wonderful blooms from my September, 1936, orders—and, Oh, they are gorgeous! They do so well down here in this climate. I had two blooms this morning; I'd never seen them before and it's a real inspiration to run out the first thing in the morning and find a new 'face.' "
May 4, 1937.

Mrs. J. A. R., Cordell, Okla.

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SANTA BARBARA (M-M) One of the favorites; light violet blue of large size and heavy substance; midseason; tall15
SANTA CLARA (M-M) Bluish violet self of good size and waxy substance; one of the rare, fine medium blues; midseason; medium height .....	.25
SELENE (Con) Silvery, lustrous white; larger; improved Moonlight; early; tall .....	.15
SEMINOLE (Farr) Very popular vivid red; the bright orange beard makes it look still redder; midseason; short.....3 for	.25
SENSATION (Cay) Clear cornflower blue of unsurpassed substance and great refinement; late; tall .....	.35
SERENITE (Cay) Lovely, large flower with blended buff and lavender standards and broad, Alice blue falls; midseason; tall.....	.90
SEQUOIAH (Shull) Polished red bronze; darker and stiffer than Coppersmith; midseason; tall .....	.25
SHEKINAH (Sturt) Pale lemon yellow self; a fine harmonizer; midseason; medium height .....	.25
SHINING WATERS (Essig) Clear light blue of waxy texture; well branched; midseason; tall .....	.90
SHIRVAN (Loomis) Brilliant brownish bicolor; the standards are yellow brown and the falls red brown; of the greatest possible landscape value and a fine flower as an individual; A. M. 1936; midseason; medium height .....	.60
SIERRA BLUE (Essig) Soft medium blue self of waxy finish; Dykes medal; midseason; tall	1.50
SINGING CANARY (Kin) Bright canary yellow with a few brown feathers in his wings; midseason; tall.....	.75
SIR KNIGHT (Ash) Enormous dark purple bicolor of sturdy substance and good placement; H. M. 1936; midseason; tall	2.25
SIR MICHAEL (Yeld) S. Lavender blue; F. purple suffused red; a showy golden beard lights up this odd and attractive combination; midseason; tall .....	.25
SKITCHWAUG (Chase) Brilliant, dark pink blend that holds its color well at a distance; midseason; medium height.....3 for	.25
SNOWBOUND (Row) Brown markings against sparkling white; early; medium height .....	.25

"You got yourself and me into a lot of trouble last year. Every plant you sent me did beautifully. They all bloomed satisfactorily—Missouri with two and Joycette with three stalks. No plants from anyone else have ever done better their first year. So I am asking you to send me the balance of your garden this summer!"

SNOW KING (H. P. Sass) Pure, unmarred white of faultless form and habit; perfectly hardy, it is as fine in quality as the more tender fine whites from California; A. M. 1937; midseason; tall	10.00
SOLFERINO (Cay) Deep lilac rose; often as many as seventeen buds and blooms along the tall stem; early; very tall	.15
SOUTHLAND (H. P. Sass) Light yellow fall bloomer of the highest quality; vigorous; H. M. 1936; spring bloom early; short	1.50
SOUV. DE MME. GAUDICHAU (Mil) Dark violet of fine form; plant in part shade here as it sun fades; early; tall	3 for .25
SPRINGMAID (Loomis) Pink and yellow blend of large size, excellent form and wonderful branching; midseason; tall	.50
ST. CECILIA (Eng) White, with delicate pink markings; early; medium height	3 for .25
SUNBEAM (Mur) Rich, golden yellow; very early; short	3 for .25
SUNLIGHT (Sturt) Enormous flowered deep cream with bright orange beard; very floriferous; deeply branched; midseason; tall	.25
SUSAN BLISS (Bliss) Rose pink of great charm; free blooming and rapid growing; late; tall	3 for .25
SUZANNE AUTISSIER (Den) Large flowered pink blend of Magnifica type; midseason; tall	3 for .25
SWEET ALIBI (White) Warm cream with primrose hafts; giant flower; H. M. 1936; midseason; tall	2.00
TAJ MAHAL (Sturt) White of good form on well branched stalks; never a pure white for me; midseason; medium height	3 for .25
TALISMAN (Mur) Golden apricot blend; a color gem; fine perfume; late; medium height	.25
TENEBRAE (Bliss) Very dark maroon purple; midseason; medium height	3 for .25
THAIS (Cay) Vigorous and free flowering pink lilac; large flowers; midseason; tall	.15
THE BLACK DOUGLAS (J. Sass) Very rich pansy violet; large flowered and free blooming; H. M. 1936; midseason; tall	3.25
THEODOLINDA (Ayres) Gigantic flowered hardy blue and white plicata; midseason; tall	.75
THURATUS (H. P. Sass) Deepest purple; large flower with very long falls; midseason; tall	.25
TOM TIT (Bliss) Small and gay; deep violet self of waxy texture; a perfect companion for La Neige; late; short	3 for .25

"The Iris I ordered came this morning and I wish to thank you for the extra roots you sent me. You are always so generous and I have some lovely Iris that you sent me as a gift several years ago. I planted all my Iris that you sent me today and now can hardly wait to see them bloom."

July 6, 1937.

Mrs. A. E. W., Devon, Penna.

TRAIL'S END (Wmsn) Bittersweet in effect caused by a blending of buffy yellow and tawny pink; a new color thrill and a fine variety in every way; H. M. 1936; midseason; tall -----	2.00
TROOST (Den) Deep rose pink, the falls heavily veined a darker shade; midseason; short -----3 for	.25
TROSTRINGER (H. P. Sass) Loveliest of the pale pinks; mid-season; medium height -----	.15
VALENCIA (Mohr) Orange buff blended self; midseason; medium height -----3 for	.25
VALOR (Nic) Bluish purple bicolor with very broad falls; fragrant; A. M. 1936; midseason; tall -----	.50
VAN CLEVE (Van Name) S. violet purple; F. rich, dark purple; a faster growing, freer blooming Swazi; late; tall-----	.15
VENUS DI MILO (Ayres) Cream white of splendid substance and fine form; absolutely hardy; runner up for the 1936 Dykes medal; midseason; medium height -----	.25
VESPER GOLD (Wmsn) Translucent, honey colored self; midseason; tall -----3 for	.25
VIOLET CROWN (Kirk) Pale violet of waxy texture and firm rounded shape; H. M. 1936; midseason; tall-----	.75
WACONDA (H. P. Sass) Rich reddish purple that harmonizes well with other iris colors; a good grower and bloomer; medium height; midseason -----	.25
WAMBLISKA (J. Sass) Large flowered white with a blue flush in the center giving the "iridescent effect of frosted icicles;" early to midseason; tall -----	.25
WASATCH (Thorup) Largest plicata and perfectly hardy; medium blue markings on a ground of glistening white in huge broad flowers which are well placed on the stem; H. M. 1936; mid-season; tall -----	4.00
WEDGWOOD (Dykes) Nearly Wedgewood blue with a white beard; wonderful color but frail substance; midseason; medium height -----	.15

"Last year I bought one of your Beginners' Collections listed on page 12, for \$2.00. When I opened the box, I was surprised to see such large rhizomes of fairly recent irises for ten cents each.

"I planted the roots, and they grew excellently, considering the care I gave them.

"A few weeks ago, when my irises started to grow again, I was happy to see four plants with five stalks, five with four stalks, and the rest with three, two, and two with one stalk. I never hoped that any would bloom this year, but today I looked at them closely and found seven blooming stalks coming up, one plant having two.

"I would order more roots this year, if my planting space wasn't so limited."

April 25, 1938

M. C., Bronx, New York.

MERRIAM, KANSAS •

WILLIAM MOHR (M-M) Gigantic flowered lilac deeply veined purple; a pogocylus hybrid, the hrizomes are small; the better for winter protection but can get along without it; very early; short -----	.25
WINNISHIEK (Egel) Very dark and very blue purple with a pearly edge to the ruffled falls; midseason; tall -----	.35
WINE GLORY (Weed) The color of red wine held to the light; vigorous bloomer giving a long season; tall -----	2.00
WONDERCHILD (Weed) Huge, deep blue purple flowers; mid-season; tall -----	2.00
WOTAN (Grinter) Deep, dark purple self with velvety falls of the smoothest finish; heavy substance and very wide; well rounded falls; midseason; medium height -----	.90
YOLANDE (Mil) Bright blue in a large flower; midseason; tall 3 for -----	.25
ZADA (Emig) Free flowering pure white; midseason; medium height; ----- 3 for -----	.25
ZUNI (Ayres) Deep red brown washed copper; an amazing iris from the color point of view; midseason; tall -----	.35
ZWANENBERG (Den) Like something brought in from the woods or a rare orchid; greenish slate standards and greenish maroon brown falls; very early; short ----- 3 for -----	.25

"I am enclosing an order for Iris and hoping I am not too late for the Lucky collection.

"This seems a promising Spring for us flower growers, so I am anxious for new Iris to fill in the holes left by last year's drought, heat and the grasshoppers; the latter often eating the roots as well as foliage and always preferring my best Iris! We hope that this year will be more encouraging. I didn't have any heart left to order new Iris last year.

"I wish you might have more space in your book to give us 'garden pictures,' as in your contest on the first page. It helps so much in arranging our plantings to have the benefit of other people's experiences, as it takes several years to grow these pictures.

"One pretty picture in my garden this Spring is Prairie Gold, Cameliard, Rameses, King Midas, Dolly Madison and Indian Chief in the front, with Capt. Courageous, Grand Monarch, El Capitan, Le Correge, Coronation and Grace Stutevant, in back; while in the next row back of these, are four plants of Sweet Rocket and Hemerocallis (apricot) in front of a rose pink peony planting. (Mme. Colot) and pink Oriental poppy (Watteau). It is indeed a lovely picture. I only wish to create other pictures as lovely in my garden.

"Your Iris has always bloomed wonderfully for me and usually the first year, while your extra roots are appreciated very much. Thanking you for past favors and best wishes for a favorable growing season, I remain,"

June 12, 1937.

Mrs. H. L. D., Lexington, Neb.

TERMS OF SALE

GUARANTEE

My plants are guaranteed to be true to name and vigorous and healthy when you receive them. If not satisfactory, return them immediately upon receipt. Your money will be cheerfully refunded. No adjustment can be made on stock not returned at once.

STOCK

Daily shipments are made of plants freshly dug from my own garden. These plants are acclimated to dry summers and changeable winters and should be vigorous and hardy anywhere.

SUBSTITUTIONS

No substitutions are made unless requested by the customer. If a variety is sold out your money is refunded immediately. No requested substitutions can be made in collections.

TERMS

Cash with order or C. O. D. with a 25% deposit. Kansas customers will please add a 2% sales tax. No order accepted less than \$1.00.

DISCOUNT

A 10% discount will be allowed on all orders, except collections, received and paid for before June 15th.

SHIPPING DATES

Shipping will begin June 20th and will continue until late autumn.

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